MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : No. The withdrawal continues on the ground of poor strength or overlapping.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : Am I to understand that the objection on that ground has been withdrawn and some other ground substituted ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Director of Public Instruction*) : Action was taken independently on other grounds.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : May I know whether there were any grounds other than that of the ground of financial stringency ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : In most cases, there were.

V. M. School at Ambalapuha.

108. *MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) whether the V. M. School at Ambalapuzha is now held in a temporary shed ;

(*b*) if so, how long the school has been left without a permanent building to house it ;

(*c*) whether the Government propose to put up a permanent building for the school ; and

(*d*) if so, whether any step has been taken therefor ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) :

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) For over two years.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Yes.

MR. P. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Ambalapuzha I*) : May I know the amount of recurring annnal expenditure that is now incurred upon the temporary shed in which this school is held ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*) : I am afraid I have to claim notice.

Bridge on the Parur-Chennamangalam road.

109. *MR. K. P KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state, with reference to the answer to question No. 313 (*b*), given during the third Session of this Assembly, whether they accepted the proposal of the Cochin Government with regard to the work and whether any orders have been passed to take up the same ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes. The Cochin Government have been also informed that this Government would be prepared to contribute a moiety of the cost of construction of the bridge and of its future maintenance, provided the Cochin Government undertake to do the work at the estimated cost of Rs. 33,300.

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